PRATHAM BOOKS
A Book in Every Child's Hand

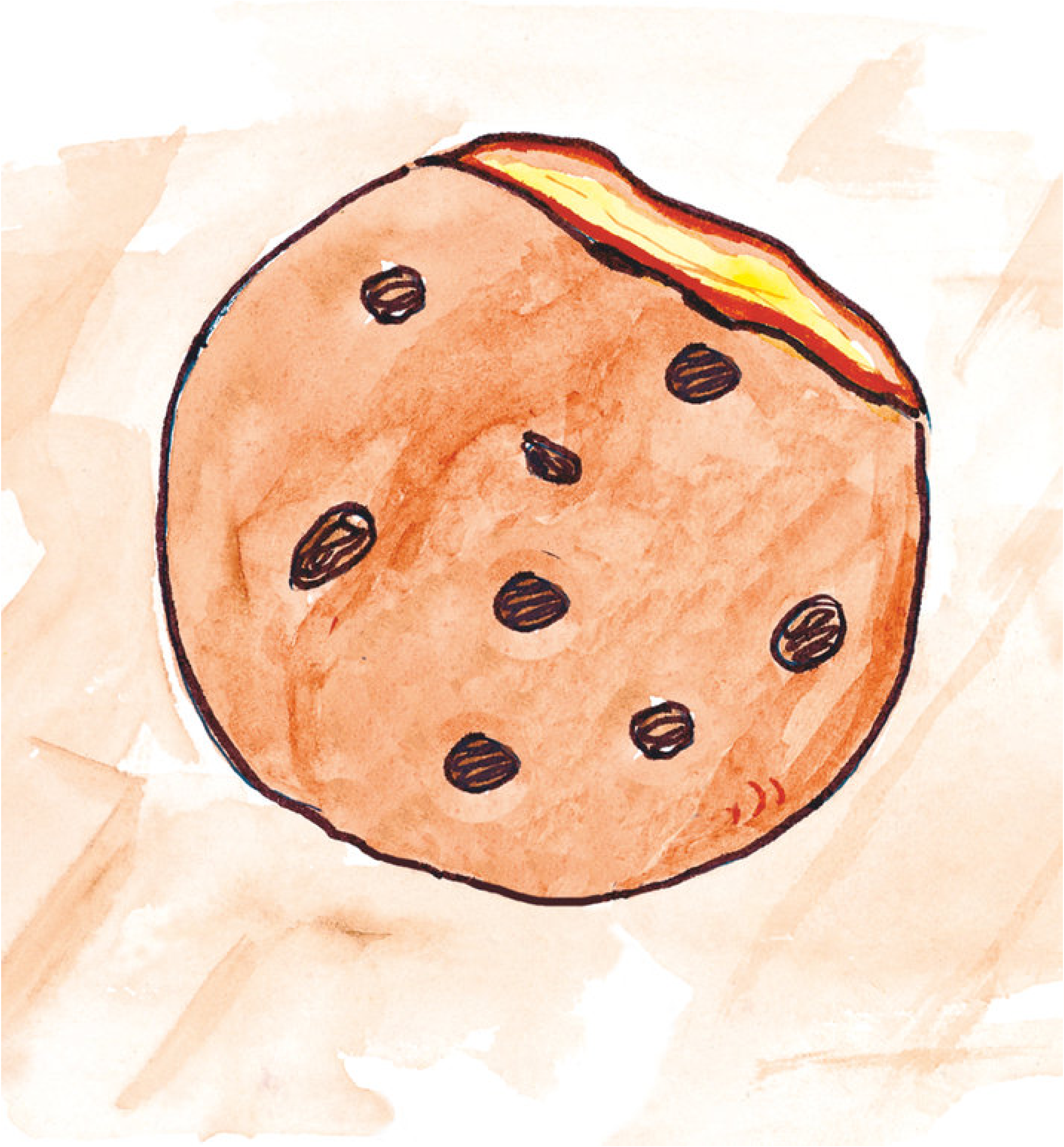
વાચન સ્તર ૧

# લાલચુ ઊંદર


**Author:** Herminder Ohri
**Illustrator:** Herminder Ohri
**Translator:** Kalpana Palkhiwala

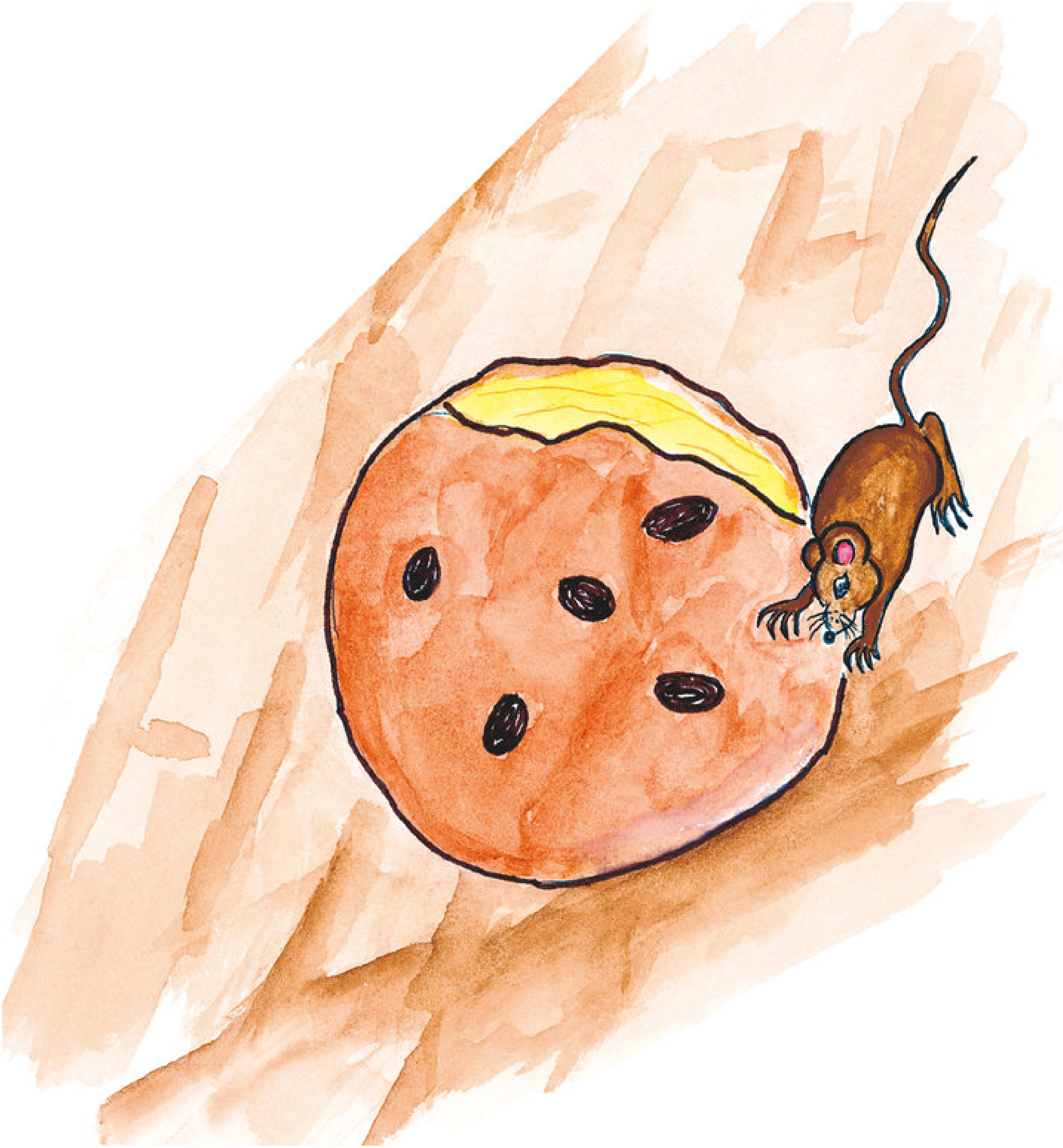
એક દિવસ એક ઊંદરને
એક મોટો પાઉં મળ્યો.

“હું આ બન ઘેર લઈ
જઈશ,” એ બોલ્યો.

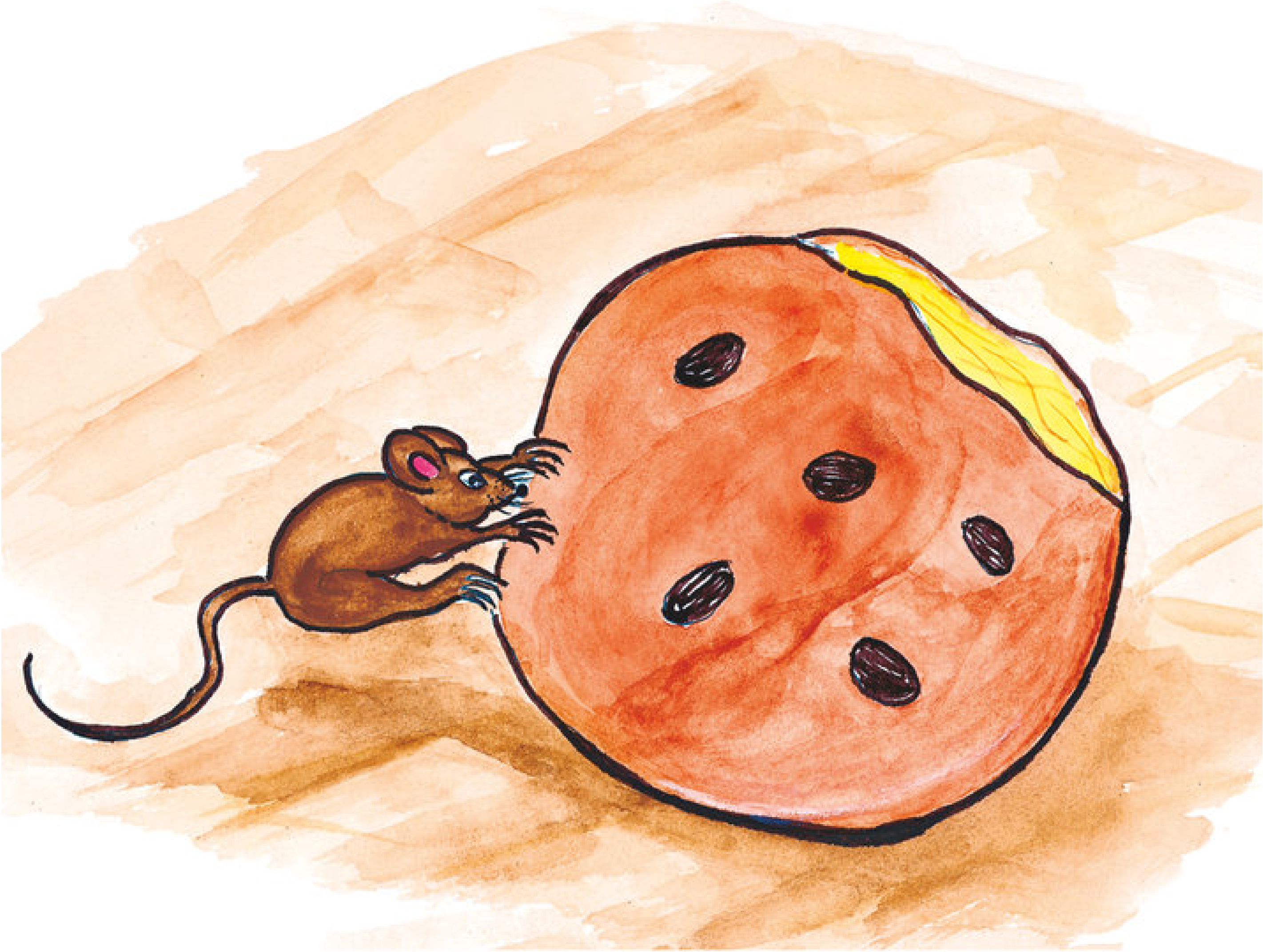


એણે બનને પાછળ
હડસેલ્યો. બન ના હાલ્યો.

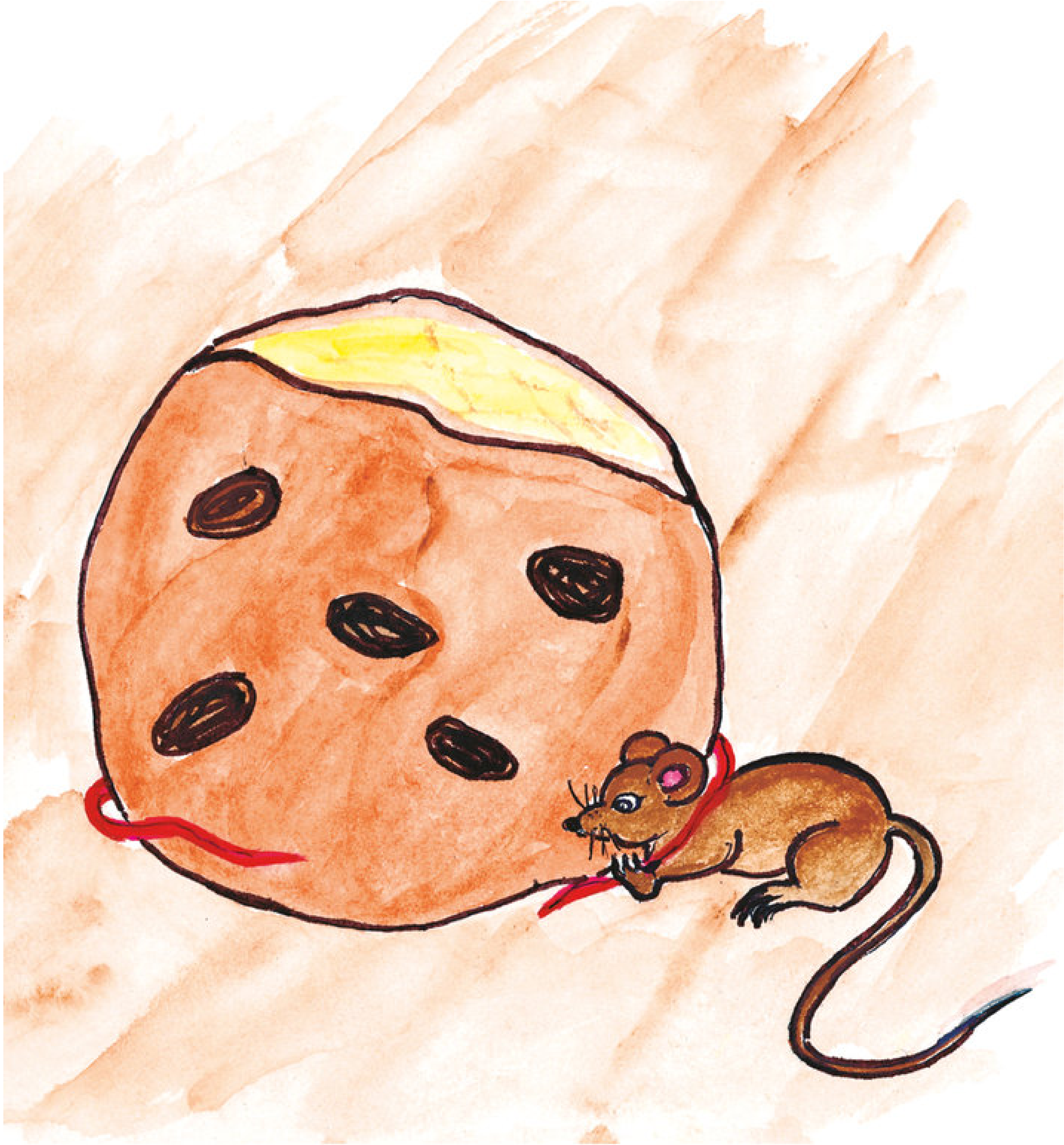
એણે આગળથી ખેંચ્યો, બન
ના હાલ્યો.



જમણી બાજુથી ધક્કો
માર્યો, બન ના ખસ્યો.

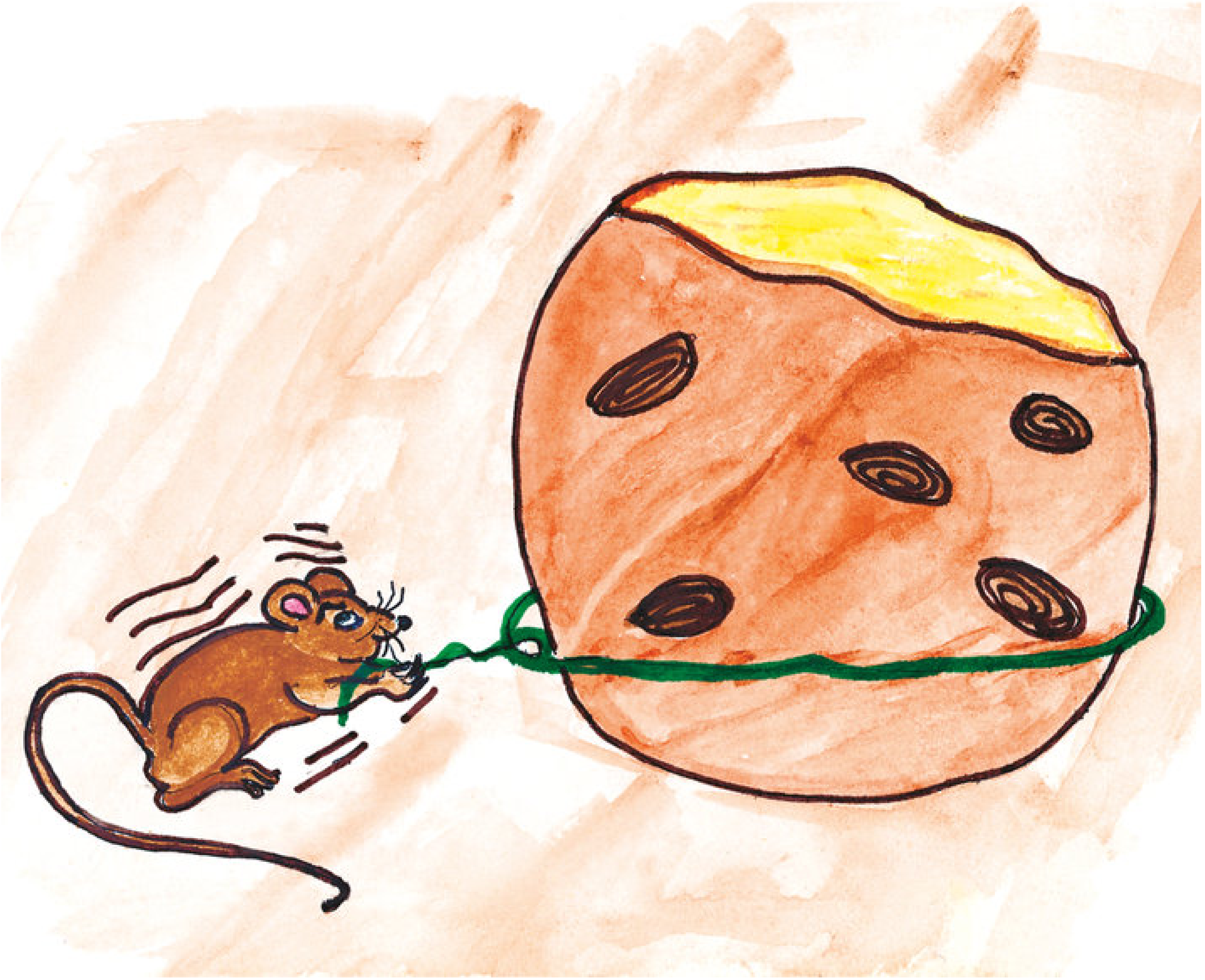


બનની પાછળ ભાગ્યા અને
ડાલી બાજુથી ધક્કો માર્યો
પણ બન જરાયે ના
ચસક્યો.



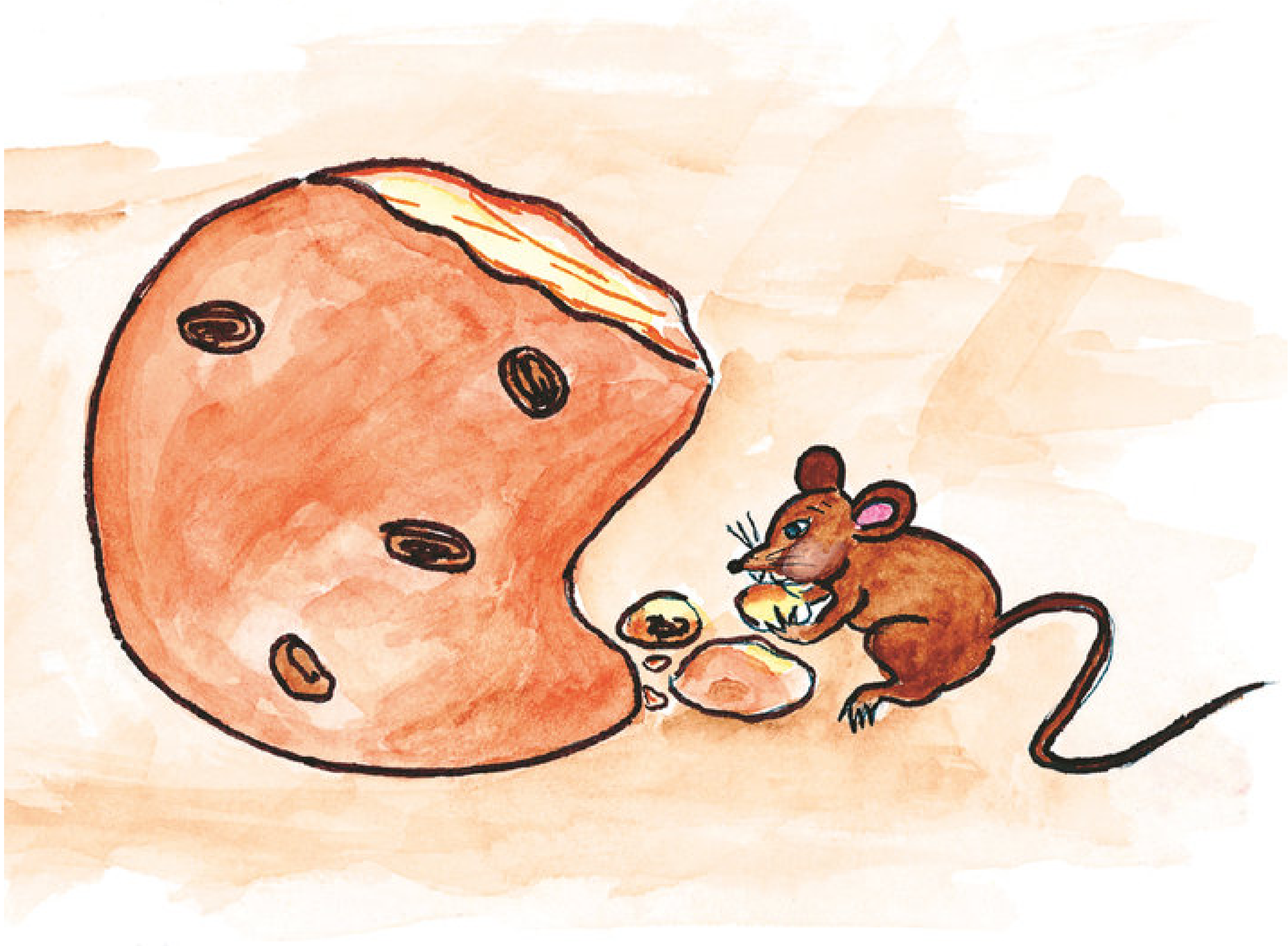
હું અ અ, હું એના પર દોરડું બાંધીશ.  એને ખેંચીને ઘેર લઈ જઈશ.

ઊંદરભાઈ દોડતા ઘેર જઈને દોરડું લાવ્યા. પણ એ દોરડું ટૂંકું પડ્યું.



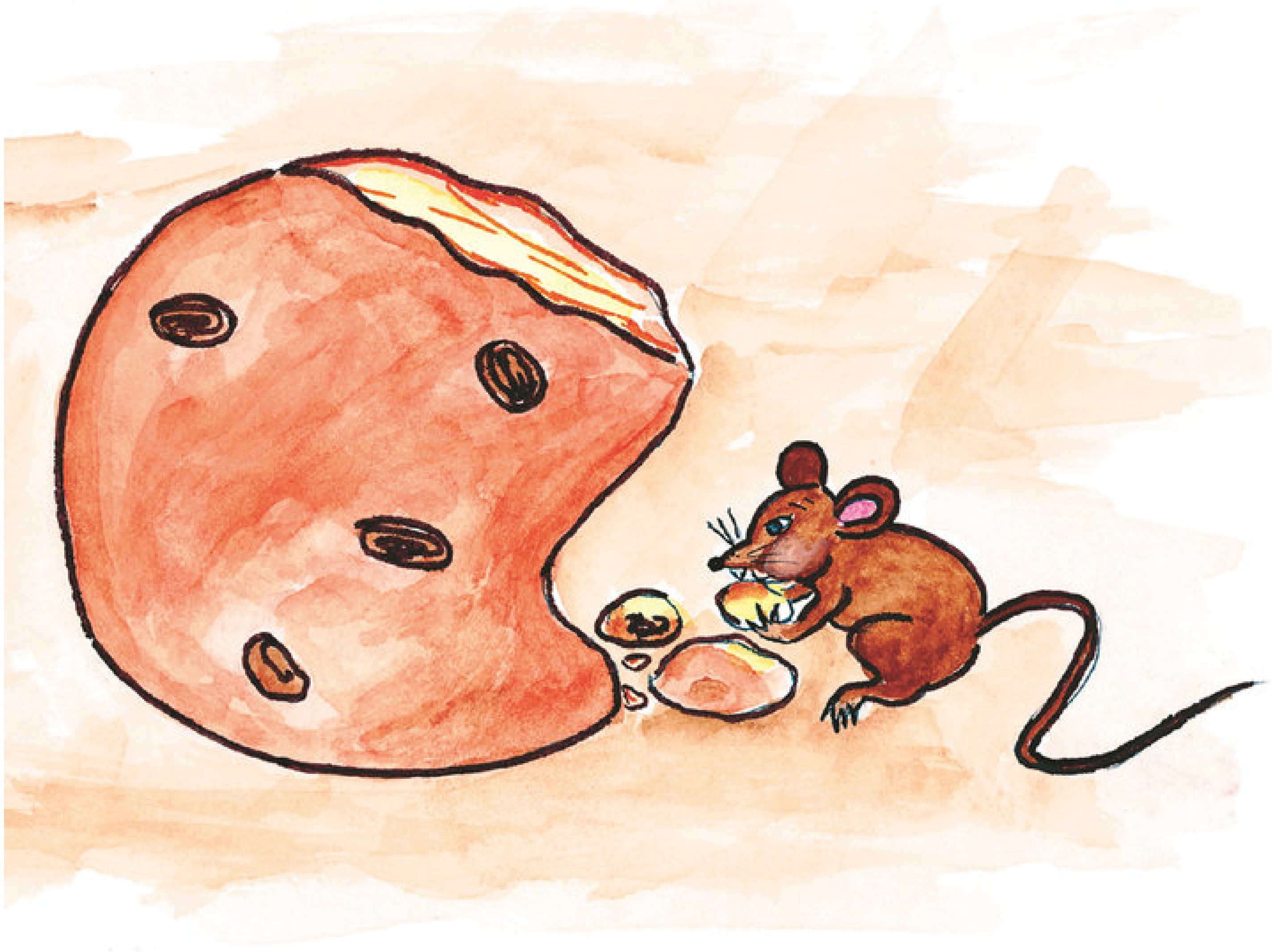
એ પાછા ગયા અને લાંબું
દોરડું લાવ્યા.

બનને બાંધ્યું અને ખેંચ્યું...
વધારે ખેંચ્યું, પણ બન
ટસથી મસ ના થયું.



ઊંદરભાઈ બેસી ગયા અને
થોડો બન કાતર્યો.

વાહ, શું સ્વાદ હતો! થોડો
વધારે ખાધો, થોડો વધારે,
અને પછી થોડો વધારે...
બન તો નાનો થતો ગયો.



હવે બનને હળવો ધક્કો
માર્યો અને એ સીધો
ગબડતો ગબડતો એમના
ઘરની અંદર! ઊંદરભાઈ તો
ઘણા ખુશ.

આપો ને આપો બન,
સહીસલામત એમના ઘરમાં
હતો. પણ એમણે એટલો
બન ખાધો હતો કે એમનું પેટ
આટલું... મોટું થઈ ગયું.

ઊંદરભાઈએ પોતાને જ
જોરથી ધક્કો માર્યો પણ
પોતાના ઘરમાં ઘૂસી જ ના
શક્યા.

પોતાના દરવાજાની બહાર
ઊંદરભાઈ પેટ પકડીને બેસી
ગયા, “આટલો બધો બન
મારે નહોતો ખાવો જોઈતો.

કોઈની સાથે વહેંચી લીધો
હોત તો કેવું સારૂં થાત.”

PRATHAM BOOKS
storyweaver

This book was made possible by Pratham Books' StoryWeaver platform. Content under Creative Commons licenses can be downloaded, translated and can even be used to create new stories - provided you give appropriate credit, and indicate if changes were made. To know more about this, and the full terms of use and attribution, please visit the following link.

## Story Attribution:

This story: લાલચુ ઊંદર is translated by Kalpana Palkhiwala . The © for this translation lies with Pratham Books, 2006. Some rights reserved. Released under CC BY 4.0 license. Based on Original story: 'The Greedy Mouse', by Herminder Ohri . © Pratham Books , 2006. Some rights reserved. Released under CC BY 4.0 license.

## Other Credits:

'Lalchu Oondar' has been published on StoryWeaver by Pratham Books. www.prathambooks.org

## Images Attributions:

Cover page: A mouse nibbling on a bun, by Herminder Ohri © Pratham Books, 2006. Some rights reserved. Released under CC BY 4.0 license. Page 2: A mouse finds a bun on the floor, by Herminder Ohri © Pratham Books, 2006. Some rights reserved. Released under CC BY 4.0 license. Page 3: A cookie, by Herminder Ohri © Pratham Books, 2006. Some rights reserved. Released under CC BY 4.0 license. Page 4: A mouse crawling on a bun, by Herminder Ohri © Pratham Books, 2006. Some rights reserved. Released under CC BY 4.0 license. Page 5: A mouse nibbling on a piece of bun by Herminder Ohri © Pratham Books, 2006. Some rights reserved. Released under CC BY 4.0 license. Page 6: A mouse trying to push a piece of bun by Herminder Ohri © Pratham Books, 2006. Some rights reserved. Released under CC BY 4.0 license. Page 7: A mouse and a bun with a red thread around it by Herminder Ohri © Pratham Books, 2006. Some rights reserved. Released under CC BY 4.0 license. Page 8: A mouse ties a green thread around a bun by Herminder Ohri © Pratham Books, 2006. Some rights reserved. Released under CC BY 4.0 license. Page 9: A mouse eating a bun, by Herminder Ohri © Pratham Books, 2006. Some rights reserved. Released under CC BY 4.0 license. Page 10: A mouse gnawing at a bun, by Herminder Ohri © Pratham Books, 2006. Some rights reserved. Released under CC BY 4.0 license.

Disclaimer: https://www.storyweaver.org.in/terms_and_conditions

Some rights reserved. This book is CC-BY-4.0 licensed. You can copy, modify, distribute and perform the work, even for commercial purposes, all without asking permission. For full terms of use and attribution, http://creativecommons.org/licenses/by/4.0/

PRATHAM BOOKS storyweaver

This book was made possible by Pratham Books' StoryWeaver platform. Content under Creative Commons licenses can be downloaded, translated and can even be used to create new stories - provided you give appropriate credit, and indicate if changes were made. To know more about this, and the full terms of use and attribution, please visit the following link.

Images Attributions:

Page 11: A mouse munching on something near his home, by Herminder Ohri © Pratham Books, 2006. Some rights reserved. Released under CC BY 4.0 license. Page 12: A disoriented mouse, by Herminder Ohri © Pratham Books, 2006. Some rights reserved. Released under CC BY 4.0 license.

Disclaimer: https://www.storyweaver.org.in/terms_and_conditions

Some rights reserved. This book is CC-BY-4.0 licensed. You can copy, modify, distribute and perform the work, even for commercial purposes, all without asking permission. For full terms of use and attribution, http://creativecommons.org/licenses/by/4.0/

# લાલચુ ઊંદર

(Gujarati)

લાલચ બુરી બલા છે. પણ આ ઊંદરભાઈને કોણ સમજાવે?

પહેલા સ્તરની આ ચોપડી વાંચવાનો આરંભ કરવા ઉત્સુક બાળકો માટે છે.

PRATHAM BOOKS
storyweaver

Pratham Books goes digital to weave a whole new chapter in the realm of multilingual children's stories. Knitting together children, authors, illustrators and publishers. Folding in teachers, and translators. To create a rich fabric of openly licensed multilingual stories for the children of India and the world. Our unique online platform, StoryWeaver, is a playground where children, parents, teachers and librarians can get creative. Come, start weaving today, and help us get a book in every child's hand!